Continuing Authorities (Sections 204, 206, 1135) Environmental Restoration Processing Actions

Environmental Restoration Continuing Authorities (Sections 204, 206, 1135)

- Process Overview
- Description of Process Steps
- Other Decision Points
- DST interaction

Environmental Restoration Process Overview

- District identifies Preliminary Restoration Plans (PRP) & coordination $$
- District receives coordination & PRP $$
- District produces PRP
- Division approves PRP

Environmental Restoration Process Overview

- District receives $$ for Ecosystem Restoration Report (ERR)
- District produces ERR Division approves ERR
- District receives $$ for P&S
- PCA is approved (model or deviations)
- Division approves project in conjunction with PCA approval

Environmental Restoration Process Overview

- District requests construction $$ commitment
- District completes P&S
- PCA is executed
- District requests construction $$ for FY based on contract bid
- District receives construction funds
- Construction completed
- Project close out

Environmental Restoration PRPs and Coordination Funds

- In September of CFY, District identifies funds needed for PRPs and coordination
- Coordination funds are typically limited to $5-8,000 per District for the FY
- PRPs are typically $10,000 each
- This is amount that can be expended by end of new FY

Environmental Restoration Preliminary Restoration Plan

- Guidance: complete within 6 months of start
- For $10,000, District needs to:
  - Determine applicability of proposal to authority
  - Identify outputs and estimate of total costs
  - Initial estimate of LERRDs needed
  - Outline schedule and costs for ERR, P&S, construction, including outline of ERR work items and costs
  - Letter of Intent

Environmental Restoration Division Approval of PRP

- District submits PRP to Division for approval.
- Division typically reviews within 2 weeks.
- If policy review comments are made, Division furnishes to District by e-mail for response.
- If Division's assessment is disapproval, District is provided opportunity to rebut prior to formalizing.
- Division approval is provided to District with funding for initiation of ERR identified.
- HQ releases work allowance and fund authorization document (FAD) within two weeks.

Environmental Restoration Environmental Restoration Report

- Upon receipt of work allowance and FAD, District initiates ERR
- Guidance: ERR complete within 12 months
- District responsible for establishing QCR prior to completion of any work task
- Upon completion of ERR, District submits to Division for approval

Environmental Restoration Environmental Restoration Report

- District identifies whether ERR is consistent with PRP and indicates whether model PCA is to be used
- District is responsible for ensuring that PCA with deviations is processed in accordance with proposed construction award
- Letter of Intent for ERR must be within 6 months of ERR completion

Environmental Restoration Division Approval of ERR

- Upon receipt of ERR, Division reviews typically within 2 weeks.
- If policy review comments are made, Division furnishes to District by e-mail for response.
- If Division's assessment is disapproval, District is provided opportunity to rebut prior to formalizing.
- Division approval is provided to District with funding for initiation of P&S identified.
- HQ releases work allowance and fund authorization document (FAD) within two weeks.

Environmental Restoration Plans & Specifications

- District receives work allowance for P&S
- District can request construction funds commitment when P&S is 90% complete and after project approval is provided
- District completes and approves P&S
- District notifies Division of P&S approval and/or copy for info

Environmental Restoration Project Cooperation Agreement

- District identifies PCA model or deviation at time of ERR submittal
- District prepares PCA package
  - PCA checklist
  - Environmental compliance
  - Certifications
  - ERR and Fact Sheet

Environmental Restoration Project Cooperation Agreement

- Division approves PCA model
- If deviations to model PCA, Division will submit PCA package to HQ for approval
- HQ review is minimum 60 days
- Project and PCA approval are needed before construction funds commitment can be requested

Environmental Restoration Construction

- District receives $$ for construction
- District assures all environmental compliance is completed
- District awards initial contract
- Construction completed
- District closes project out

Environmental Restoration Other Decision Points

- District may modify the proposal during preparation of the ERR, but a revised Fact Sheet must be provided describing the change and demonstrating that the proposal is still justified
- District can request a reprogramming action (revocation and/or additional funds), but a revised Fact Sheet must be submitted

Environmental Restoration District Support Team

- Reviews PRPs for approval
- Reviews ERRs for approval
- Reviews modifications from approved PRPs or ERRs
- Reviews proposed increased costs
- Reviews and approves PCA package
- Provides project approval and approved PCA to District